



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Chih-I LIN et al. Confirmation No: 3387
Appl. No. : 10/611,998
Filed : July 3, 2003
Title : FILLING DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR TREATING A
DEFORMED OR DISEASED SPINE

TC/A.U. : 3733
Examiner : A. Ramana

Docket No.: : LINC3175/REF
Customer No: : 23364

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of December 19, 2006, in connection with the above identified application. The period for response to this Official Action has been extended to expire on March 19, 2007, by the filing herewith of a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time and payment of the required fee.

The Official Action states that the reply filed on October 2, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the data submitted was not in a form of a 132 Declaration. Applicants submit that the previous response was fully responsive to the outstanding Official Action.

In any case, Applicants submit herewith a fully executed declaration to supplement the previous response.

Accordingly, the responses to the outstanding Official Action are fully responsive and places the application in condition for allowance.

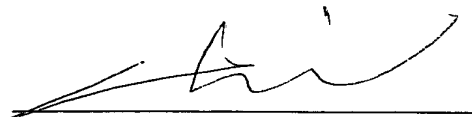
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Chih-I LIN", written over a horizontal line.

Chih-I LIN

Date 26 / Feb / 07